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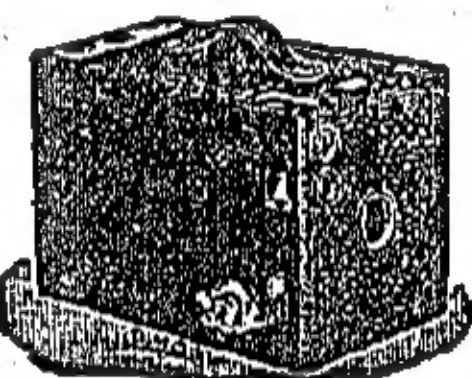
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ALLEGED ATTEMPTED FORGERY AND CONSPIRACY.

Wong Chuk Yau and Wong Tim were charged before Mr. Gompertz yesterday with (1) Defrauding one, Han Tim, of the sum of \$850 (2) and (3) Unlawfully attempting to defraud and deceive the China Navigation and Eastern and Australian S.S. Companies by obtaining from the said companies a passenger ticket for one Han Tim, to enable him to perorate one, Ah Wai, Wong Chuk Yau was further charged with the attempted forgery of an Australian Immigration certificate in order to evade the poll tax. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, the Crown Solicitor, instructed by Chief Detective Inspector Hanson, prosecuted, and Mr. G. K. H. Brutton represented the first defendant, Wong Chuk Yau.

Mr. Brutton contended, with regard to the second and third charges, that both companies could not be defrauded by the same individual, therefore the complainants should decide which charge they were going to proceed on. A man must know what he is going to be tried for.

Mr. Bowley said it was the usual practice in framing indictments to frame intent in different ways.

His Worship made a note of the objection, and said he would give a ruling upon it before Mr. Brutton was called on for his defence.

Mr. Bowley, in opening the case, said it was a matter of common knowledge that Chinese were not allowed to enter Australia at the present time unless they had naturalisation papers, exemption papers, or special permits to allow them to do so. There had been a great many complaints from the different Governments of the Colonies of Chinese attempting to get in with false papers. As a result of these complaints, enquiries were made by the Police, who obtained certain information. They laid a trap, wherein the first defendant was caught. A man called Han Tim was sent by the Police to endeavour to purchase papers which would enable him to obtain access to the Australian Colonies. On the 13th November he went to the second floor of No. 151, Connaught Road West, where the prisoners lived. The first prisoner carries on business on the second floor, and uses the firm name of Chan Hop. Han Tim went to the Chan Hop and asked the first defendant if he could get him a paper by which he could go to Australia. The defendant said "Yes, I have papers. Have you money?" He further guaranteed that for \$850, Han Tim should enter Australia safely. The defendant said he must have money on account, so Han Tim went away. He returned next day, and paid, in the presence of the second defendant, \$50 as bargain money. The first defendant represented to Han Tim that it would take some time to get the papers ready, and that it would be necessary for him to be photographed. On the 10th December Han Tim went with the second defendant to a photographer's, where he was photographed, and paid the second defendant \$1.40, which was represented to him to be the cost of the photograph. At a later date the second defendant went to the photographer's shop and got two prints, for which he paid forty cents.

At this stage Mr. Brutton asked that the prisoners be charged separately unless the complainants were willing to drop the charge of forgery, as he might wish to call the second defendant as a witness.

It was agreed that the charge of forgery be heard after the charges of conspiracy.

Mr. Bowley continuing said:—On the 19th instant the witness, Han Tim, went with a clansman to see the prisoners. He spoke about the papers, and the first defendant said he would give them to him (Han Tim) when he paid the money. On the 20th witness went again, accompanied by his clansman. The first defendant asked about the money, a witness said he had it, and asked to see the papers. The first prisoner then went into a cubicle and brought out some papers which he handed to Han Tim, and asked for the money. Han Tim said the money was not quite ready. He handed the papers to his clansman and went downstairs and brought Inspector Hanson up. The Inspector took possession of the papers, and found they consisted of letters of naturalisation issued by the Colony of South Australia to a man named Ah Wai. A photograph of Han Tim was on one of the papers, and there was also attached a piece of paper containing Chinese characters which, I will show, was in the nature of instructions to Han Tim as to how he was to use his naturalisation paper. I shall call evidence to prove that with these papers, Han Tim could have gone to the steamship offices, and by representing himself to be the man named on the paper, procured a ticket to Australia. The second defendant was arrested on Wednesday night on a charge of conspiracy.

The first witness was Han Tim, who declared:—I went to No. 151, Connaught Road West, on the 13th November last. I saw the first and second prisoners. I asked the first prisoner whether he had any cum shan (papers for Australia) papers. He said "Which cum shan?" I answered "Sun cum shan" (papers for South Australia). He said "I have. Have you got money?" I asked him how much he wanted. He said "\$850," and asked me to bring him \$50 first. The second defendant was present.

Mr. Brutton objected to the last question as not being evidence. It was for the prosecution to prove a charge of conspiracy, and apparently they were trying to get out in evidence certain facts in connection with the conspiracy which had not been proved.

After considerable argument His Worship overruled Mr. Brutton's objection.

Han Tim, continuing:—I think he could hear what was said. On the following day I returned to the shop. The first defendant

said "You deposit \$50 and I will give you a receipt and proceed to make the paper for you." I paid the money and the first defendant gave a receipt which he clapped. He said he would write to me when the paper was ready. I received a letter on the 4th Dec. I again called at defendant's shop. He asked me if I had the money ready. The second defendant was present. I said I would bring the money another day. I asked the first defendant when he would have the paper ready. He said "If you deposit more money you can have the paper." I then went away. On the 9th instant I got another letter from the first defendant. I again went to see him. The two prisoners were present. The first defendant asked me to go to a photographer's shop to have my photo taken. I was photographed on the 10th instant. I paid \$1.40 to the second defendant, being the price for the photo. On the 11th I received another letter from the first defendant. I again called at his shop. The second defendant was present. The first defendant said "When I get your photo I will give you the paper. When it is ready I will write to you." The first defendant sent me another letter on the 12th December. I called on him the same evening. He asked me if I had the money ready. The second defendant was present. I said, "The money will be ready in another day. Will you have the paper ready?" On the evening of the 17th I went to the Chan Hop. I asked the first defendant about the paper. He said "It is ready now." I returned again on the 19th, when both defendants were present. I asked the first about the paper. He said "Yes, I have it ready." He showed it to me. He asked me whether I brought the money. Hearing continues.

THE KAISER AND THE TSAR.

The possibility that a meeting may presently take place between the German Emperor and the Tsar continues to engage attention in Vienna. No one doubts the earnest desire of the German Government to bring the meeting about, nor if an utterance of the semi-official *Montags Revue* reflects the views of authoritative circles is this attitude limited to foreign diplomats. Under the title "Deep meaning in childish play," the *Montags Revue* discusses the game of battles and shuttlecock played by Count von Bulow and the German Press Bureau, and concludes that:—

"The game with the news and counter-attacks is merely by-play. It resembles the strange controversy which once took place over the question whether Count Waldsee was an official German agent in China at the suggestion of Germany or at that of Russia. The investigation of the place of origin of an initiative or the dissimulation of that place of origin may be a worthy detail of diplomatic preparation for a future decision; but when the work has led to its goal these details become totally unimportant. Step by step Germany is gradually working into the position which she means to occupy when the end of the drama in the Far East draws near. The German Press takes care that all other parties interested in the Far Eastern question shall and must recognize the significance of that position. With the end of the war will end also the obligation of neutrality, the duty of preserving official impartiality, and disinterestedness. If the Emperor Nicholas wishes to be quite certain that Germany will then stand by the side of Russia, he can gain this certainty immediately by doing the much abused journalists the honour of filling their latest insipid fight of fancy."

The utterance of the semi-official journal acquires additional interest from the view recently expressed by one of the most observant diplomats in Europe. "The German Emperor," he said, "is determined to prevent an understanding between England, Russia, and France. He is also anxious to acquire a decisive voice in Russian foreign affairs. He believes that the moment has come for him to wreck the Dual Alliance, and to preclude the possibility of an Anglo-Franco-Russian understanding by driving a wedge between France and Russia. That is the object of the meeting reported to be impending between him and the Tsar, and that is why the German Foreign Office is exhausting the resources of its journalistic organization in order to bring the meeting about."

RUSSIAN JEWS AND THE WAR.

Among this year's Russian recruits for the army the percentage of rejections on medical and other grounds is an exceptionally small one. Every young fellow at all approaching general military fitness is promptly enrolled. The number of defections on the part of recruits this year, on the other hand, is not only exceptionally large, but is completely defeating the efforts of the military authorities in many of the more thickly populated recruit areas. Of these areas South Russia and Poland are typical. The recruits simply fail to put in an appearance at all at the centres of military registration. From all quarters in South Russia and Poland the tale is the same. At Kishineff, while the great majority of the Christian recruits turned up fairly punctually, over 30 per cent. of the Jews failed to put in an appearance for registration purposes. In the majority of cases the result of the inquiries instituted by the military authorities with a view to unearthing the delinquents is the same; the prudent young Jews have shaken the Russian dust of their district off their feet betimes and are now over the Russian frontiers, perfectly immune from punishment.

In certain districts in the government of Kherson the defection of recruits is approximately 50 per cent. of the Jewish element. Simferopol, however, from the point of view of Jewish recruit defection would appear to have created a record. Ninety per cent. of the Jewish recruits due for this year have failed to put in an appearance, and the bulk of them are nowhere to be found. —*Times*.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 29th at 11.45 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly in Japan and fallen throughout China, more particularly in the Yangtze Valley. The maximum pressure is still over Central China and the least is in the southern Philippines.

Gradients are more moderate upon the China Coast and moderate N.E. monsoon will be experienced in the Formosa Channel and fresh monsoon in the northern part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Fresh E. to N.E. winds, fine.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 29th December.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (PUNISH JUDGE.)

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK v. THE WAI SHING HING BANK.

The plaintiffs in this action alleged that they had suffered damage by reason of a breach by the defendants of a contract dated the 4th October, 1904, made between the plaintiffs and the defendants, whereby the defendants agreed to purchase from the plaintiffs a sterling draft on London, payable on demand for the sum of £2,000 sterling at exchange 1s. 9d. and which said contract was to complete their purchase on the 30th November, 1904, and the plaintiffs had suffered damages to the extent of \$785.85 by the defendants' breach of their contract. The particulars of the damage were as follows:—

4th Oct. by sale of defendants of £2,000 at exchange 1s. 9d. ... \$21,942.86
30th Nov. to cost of £2,000 at exchange 1s. 10 11/16d. ... \$21,157.02

Difference ... \$ 785.84
The Wai Shing Bank was of No. 102, Wing Lok Street, Hongkong, Bankers. The plaintiffs also sued for costs of the action.

Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C., instructed by Mr. H. J. Grange (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared for the plaintiff bank, and Mr. N. Ferrers, instructed by Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Mr. G. K. H. Brutton's office), for the defendant bank.

Mr. Pollock, after detailing the particulars given above, said that he had been given to understand that the defence which the defendants intended to raise in the action was that the man called Li Yuk Chi, who entered into the contract on behalf of the defendant bank with the plaintiff bank, had no authority from the defendant bank to enter into the contract with the plaintiff bank. Assuming that was so, he thought he would be able to prove otherwise. Regarding that man, he would refer His Honour to certain contracts by him with the plaintiff bank, and, secondly, with the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China; and he would also be able to call evidence to show that various other transactions had been carried out by him as agent for the defendant bank with two firms of Chinese merchants. All these transactions were in connection with drafts or bills of exchange. The law on the matter was clear:—if a bank held out that anybody was their agent they were liable for the acts of that person, though it might be that the person intended to cheat his principal and benefit his own pocket. At the end of November or early in December, he might mention, the defendant bank shut up—and Li Yuk Chi had run away. They stopped business altogether. He was able to call witnesses from the plaintiff bank to show that after a letter had been sent to the defendant bank saying "the sterling draft is due to-morrow," a shroff went to the defendant bank, in Wing Lok Street, on the 26th November, and had a conversation with a "cock-eyed" man named Li Shing alias Li Shin, a partner in the defendant bank, as follows:—"As the sterling draft will be due to-morrow, and as you have received our letter, you should chop our chit book."—"I need not chop your chit book."—"You must."—"I will take delivery to-morrow." That showed that on the 26th November there was a clear recognition of this sterling draft for £2,000, and the defendants recognised their liability. He would also be able to show that a certain offer of settlement was made on behalf of the defendant bank in connection with this and some other drafts.

Mr. Ferrers objected to the form of contract, saying that it was an unstamped, broker's note.

Mr. Pollock contended that, though the word "Broker" was printed on the paper, it was not a broker's note at all; it was not signed by a broker.

Mr. Ferrers submitted that it was, but even if it was not the document should have been stamped.

Mr. Pollock said that Mr. Ferrers was arguing under Ordinance 13 of 1902, having reference to brokers' notes—the sale of merchandise through a broker. Regarding the second objection, he could find no rule preventing this particular document being stamped afterwards.

His Honour took it that the document was not a broker's note, and for the present would regard it otherwise.

Evidence was led.

The case was adjourned.

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The object-lesson thus offered by sugar has been a terribly expensive one; but if it acts as a lesson in what happens when nations are foolish enough to let their Government interfere with the course of trade and commerce, and with a free market, it may not have been purchased too dear. No doubt the loss of £8,000,000 sterling a year—a loss which probably could not now be recovered even when we denounce the Convention, as we trust we shall—is a very serious loss; but it is nothing compared with the loss that would be incurred if the Government were to engage in the policy of Retaliation on a great scale, and were to interfere with the free and open market in a dozen or so of our great staple industries. We might then lose £8,000,000 but £80,000,000 a year. The principle which is the *Spectator*, "is that on no considerations other than those of revenue will we interfere with the free and open market, and prevent men selling here at their own price whatever they have to sell."

POLICE COURT.

Thursday, 29th December.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

ILLEGAL OPIUM CASES.

A Chinese cook from Wellington Barracks appeared to answer the charges of being in unlawful possession of four mace of prepared opium, three and a half mace of opium dross, and one tael, four mace, and eight candareens of raw opium. The necessary appurtenances for preparing and sealing for weighing opium were also found in his possession. On the first charge he was fined \$500 or three months imprisonment; on the second, \$200 or two months; on the third, \$100 or one month.

Chung King Wan, carpenter of the s.s. *On Ping*, was charged with being in unlawful possession of twenty-five taels and six mace of prepared opium, and 163 taels of opium dross. Defendant handed with the opium, and was arrested. He said he was going to the opium farm to declare the amount in his possession, whereas he should have left the opium on board, and gone to the farm and declared the contents, when an Excise officer would have sent off with him to bring the opium ashore and place it in bond until the ship was leaving. Mr. Hogarth, Excise officer, said there was nothing but the defendant's statement to show that he intended to take the opium to the opium farm. It may have been a bogus statement made for the purpose of evading arrest. His Worship was of the same opinion, and stated that a smart smuggler would have done this. As there was a doubt in the case, however, the defendant would be fined a dollar on each count.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

FALSE WEIGHT.

Two Chinese storekeepers in Queen's Road Central were charged with having false scales in their shops, the weights of which were proved to be up to 2½ per cent. against purchasers. The Magistrate said there was no doubt that both defendants had made an enormous amount of money in this way. He would fine the first \$200, in default three months, and the second defendant \$100 or two months.

THE CHINAMAN AS A MINER.

A pamphlet entitled "Chinese Workers on the Witwatersrand Mines," has been written by Mr. William Mather, and printed in Johannesburg by the *Transvaal Leader*. Mr. Mather, himself a miner of long experience, paid a surprise visit to the New Comet Mine at 5.30 one morning in time to see the Chinese turn out to their work. After describing this scene he gives the impressions he received underground:—"Now, as an independent and practical miner, I feel perfectly assured that I have never seen 1,000 labourers—white, yellow, or black—who have so quickly grasped the rudimentary ideas of mining in its various branches in such an exceptionally short period of time."

Turning to the Kaffir—the fellow competitor of the Chinese—he takes a vast amount of tuition and training, and far greater portion of the white man's time, attention, and personal supervision, together with the assistance rendered by his long-experienced and better-informed fellow-Kaffirs, and is less efficient after the same period of probation. Further, unlike the Chinaman, has no spirit of competition or emulation, no initiative, and practically no desire to compete with his neighbour, nor does his natural cupidity make him strive after the greatest return for his labour.

Taking the whole of circumstances of the experiment of these labourers on the New Comet Mine into consideration, I, as an experienced miner, am inclined to estimate the first-class Chinaman as being at least the equal of the Kaffir in his work. The Chinaman has no spirit of competition or emulation, no initiative, and practically no desire to compete with his neighbour, nor does his natural cupidity make him strive after the greatest return for his labour. Taking the whole of circumstances of the experiment of these labourers on the New Comet Mine into consideration, I, as an experienced miner, am inclined to estimate the first-class Chinaman as being at least the equal of the Kaffir in his work. The Chinaman has no spirit of competition or emulation, no initiative, and practically no desire to compete with his neighbour, nor does his natural cupidity make him strive after the greatest return for his labour.

A RUSSIAN TRIBUTE TO THE JAPANESE.

The opinion of a colonel of a Cossack regiment on the fighting qualities of the Japanese army is reported by the *Nice* correspondent of the *Journal* who has visited him at the Russian convalescent home there. Colonel Zolotarev, his name was remembered at the front, is an old soldier who has not only seen active service under the Russian flag for many years but has been a practical student of military tactics, and his opinion carries weight. He declares that the Japanese are the finest soldiers in the world. The Japanese officer can count on the intelligence of his men. Thus when they attack, the non-commissioned officers lead, but the officers are 50 metres in the rear. The former, who are provided with maps, plans, a field-glass, and a compass, have previously studied the ground and are thus able to instruct the men as to fighting.

The Russian officers, on the contrary, have to put the men at the head of their troops. The only soldiers capable of withstanding the Japanese are young, ambitious, unreflecting battalions. A special disadvantage experienced by the Russians in the present war is that they are fighting in a mountainous country. The Japanese, lightly equipped, are of extraordinary agility, and all these qualities, added to their discipline, make the Japanese army an incomparable instrument of war. The Chinese are inveterately hostile to the Russians. Their cupidity, however, is their weak point, and they can be bought off. —*Times* Paris Correspondent.

NEW RUSSIAN LOAN.

Negotiations are practically concluded for an issue of Five per cent. Russian Treasury bonds to the value of 1,300,000,000 (£52.0 0/00) for five or seven years. The price of issue will be about the same as that of the last Paris issue. The issue will be made simultaneously in Paris and Berlin. Five hundred million francs (£20,000,000) have been taken by Berlin (Messrs. Warburg, Messrs. Disconto-Gesellschaft, Messrs. Mendelssohn Bartholdy, and other members of the so-called Russian group), and 800,000,000 (£32,000,000) by the same French bankers who made the last loan. The issues will be for the same kind of paper, but entirely independent of each other, without any connection between Berlin and Paris in regard to underwriting, profit, or placing. The issue will be made some time in January.

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Hongkong, 27th December, 1904.

PROPOSED TAX ON MANDARINS.

The *Peking Times* published the following translation of a petition by Wang Chia-chi, probationary commissioner of records of Chekiang Prefecture, to T'ieh Liang, Imperial commissioner for raising funds, proposing the adoption of a "Mandarin-tax."

I beg most respectfully to lay before you my humble proposal for acceptance, having heard that "If the ruler of a country is rich, his people will not be the only ones in destitution, and if the people are poor, their ruler cannot alone be wealthy." Our country is now in an indigent position; foreign loans have been one-sided and the people are involved in distress. It is indeed a critical time for both the ruler and the people, who are in a miserable condition. Very often, faithful advice cannot be given to high authorities for fear of giving offence. I am well aware that my unworthy words will be of no service, but cannot help speaking frankly to you about this matter. You are here in the South with the order to raise funds for drilling troops in Peking. The Southern provinces are generally known as fertile and rich, but in reality they are wealthy only in appearance, and nine out of ten houses are empty for a long time since. This is due to the raising of funds for the central government, the re-organization of the Northern provinces and the payment of foreign loans and indemnities after the Boxer trouble. All the Provincial Treasuries which are exhausted can hardly answer any call. Every item of government expenditure is obtained from the people. The scheme of increasing the land tax proposed by Sir Robert Hart, the Inspector-General, is against public opinion and full of vices which will cause mischief to the people and disaster to the Empire. It must not be adopted in any case. The tariff of 10 per cent., but owing to its passing through the many hands of collectors amounts to fully 30 per cent. The miserable circumstances of the merchants are thus critical. Any increase in 10 per cent. is to be thought of. Houses have been already taxed. It would be no harm to increase the tax on tobacco, wine, native opium both raw and boiled, several times more than they are now: still that would not amount to much. The sum you need is very large. In my humble opinion there are a few advisable plans for raising funds. In China both the throne and the people suffer from financial stress, but never the high officials. For the past 300 years the dynasty has had thousands of officials, and the ministers in the court have lived on the fat of the land at the expense of the people. They have every luxury that can be enjoyed, yet they complain. They are the most ungrateful people in the world. These are the people from whom funds should be raised! In the interests of the Throne, the army and the people, I beg you will make plans for this to be done, disregarding any individuality and showing neither fear nor favour. A memorial should be addressed to the Throne requesting the Imperial sanction to the enforcement of a mandarin tax. If Jung Lu's and Li Hung-chang's families could be made to contribute a million taels each as an example, all the other provincial officials might be made to contribute in proportion to the value of their posts. At least 40 per cent. of their incomes should be contributed to the Government. In this way millions of taels could be raised without difficulty. At first it would be a great surprise to the public generally, but the people will be pleased. If the people are pressed much more they will rebel, but pressure on the officials is no hardship and no fear of their rebellion need be entertained. The way in which the Japanese have come forward to float their loans has impressed the whole world.

Another scheme which I beg to lay before you is to remit only half of the money so raised to Peking, and distribute the remainder among the commercial bureaux in the provinces. An order should be issued encouraging men of ability to invent and improve upon various implements, and tools which could be on view and be rewarded with the sole rights of their inventions and a grant from the official contributions as a working capital. This capital can be repaid in instalments together with a royalty which must be decided by the merchant's own conscientiousness in the matter. In this way the spirit of the people may be roused, and the resources of the country developed while millions of taels should be available for the government. The drilling of troops in foreign countries is largely to protect trade, and commercial prosperity is at once the strength of the people and the support of the army. Foreign nations never oppress and exhaust the vitality of the people or drain their livelihood in order to raise troops. But for this purpose the real wealth of the country should be tapped. If sufficient troops are drilled, and every man becomes in some degree a soldier, we need no longer fear any invasions, but will certainly attain victory. I trust my humble suggestions may meet with your approval. The memorial has been sent up to Peking by T'ieh Liang and the memorialist has already been summoned to an audience, his suggestions having won approval.

LIBEL ACTION BY STANDARD OIL COMPANY.

The *Marilla Caleneus* publishes a cablegram from San Francisco, December 21, as follows:—Three unsuccessful attempts have been made to poison Thomas W. Lawson, the avowed enemy of the great trusts. Lawson has declared that the attempts have been by the hired agents of the Standard Oil Company. The magnates declare that Lawson will have to answer a charge of criminal libel and the affair has become the sensation of the hour.

Lawson's residence is guarded by special policemen and his trusted servants watch the preparation and serving of all food that comes to the table of the trusts' enemy. Lawson avers that the exposures that he will soon be prepared to make will bring the principal owners of Standard Oil stock and the Amalgamated Copper into court on the charge of swindling the purchasers of stock, violating interstate commerce laws, and in conspiring to control legislation.

Lawson has been subpoenaed to appear before the interstate commerce commission that is now investigating the methods of the Standard Oil Company.



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For particulars, apply to C. C. T. Office, Care of Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [3017]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 2nd and 3rd January, 1905, respectively.

By Order, A. R. LOWE, Secretary, Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [3019]

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ENGLISHMAN, (23) just from home, Requires Situation. Seven Years London Office. Thorough knowledge BOOKKEEPING, SHORTHAND, TYPEWRITING, Commercial Correspondence and Office Routine generally. First-class references.

BOX 550, Care of Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [3020]

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TWO ROOMS, with Verandah and Bath Rooms, on the 1st Floor of College Chambers (No. 31, Wyndham Street).

Apply to DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD., Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [3021]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Action No. 231 of 1904.

Plaintiff:—LOO WING KEE of Nos. 2 and 4, Kai On Street, Victoria, Hongkong, 4th Iron Foundry.

Defendants:—The YU HING LUNG Firm of Nos. 85 and 87, Station Street, Mongkok, Yuenatui, Hongkong, Boiler and Machinery Makers.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a

Write of Foreign Attachment returnable on the 9th day of January, 1905, against all the property movable and immovable of the above named Defendants within the Colony has been issued in this action pursuant to the provisions of Chapter XVII of the Hongkong Code of Civil Procedure.

Dated the 29th day of December, 1904, R. A. HEDDING, 19, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, Solicitor for the Plaintiff.

WU SHUN STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Wu Shun Steamboat Company, Limited, will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company, No. 138, Connaught Road Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 9th day of January, 1905, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when the subjoined resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 22nd day of December, 1904, will be submitted for confirmation as a special resolution.

RESOLUTION.

That the capital of the Company be increased to \$140,000 by the creation of 900 new shares of \$100 each.

By Order of the Board, HUNG HING CHUN, Manager, Dated 30th December, 1904. [3023]

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THE Steamship "ISCHIA."

Captain Maganzini, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 13th January, at Noon.

At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [4]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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All damaged packages must be left in the Godown, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognised.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW, Hongkong, 29th December, 1904. [3024]

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE date of the Closing of Entries for the FORTHCOMING RACE MEETING is POSTPONED until SATURDAY, the 14th January, 1905.

By Order, T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course, Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [3018]

AT THE CATHOLIC UNION, GLENALTY.

GRAND CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME.

ALI BABA, or the FORTY THIEVES, in Aid of Funds to provide Xmas Treats to 700 Poor Children and 200 Old People.

Dates of Performance. Price of Admission.

WEDNES, Jan. 4, 9 P.M. \$1

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SATURDAY, " 7, 5 " \$1 & children 50c.

Tickets can be had at the above address, where the plans of seats are on view.

Seats Booked for the 2nd prox. are cancelled. Hongkong, 21st December, 1904. [2953]

NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Government Notification No. 358, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 2nd and 3rd January, 1905.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1904. [3012]

SWATOW DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 45.

WRECK OF THE S.S. "WORKFIELD."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Wreck of the British Steamer Workfield lies sunk in about 18 fathoms at low water spring tides.

Cape of Good Hope bearing N. 45° W. 15 Miles. (Approximate).

A. HOLZ, Harbour Master.

Approved, FRANK SMITH, Acting Commissioner of Customs, Custom House, Swatow, 27th December, 1904. [3014]

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H. WEISMANN, Manager, Hongkong, 28th December, 1904. [3001]

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KOMMANDANTEN-APOTHEKE E. TAESCHNER PROPRIETOR ANNA TAESCHNER, of Seydelstrasse 16, Berlin, in the Empire of Germany, Manufacturers, has on the 1st day of March, 1904, applied for the registration in Hongkong, in the Register of TRADE MARKS, of the following TRADE MARK:

A Facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong.

Dated the 27th day of October, 1904, MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS, Agent on behalf of the Applicant. [2561]

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY

DR. M. H. CHAUN, 37, DES VUEX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG, From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1904. [2161]

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MRS. GILLANDERS, "GLENWOOD," 27, CAINE ROAD, Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [2265]

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

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TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), at 3.30 P.M. "THE LADY SLAVEY."

PRICES AS USUAL.

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NOTICE.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 31st DECEMBER, 1904, at 11.30 A.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,

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THE HONGKONG STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Hongkong, 31st October, 1904. [2560]

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1904. [2388]

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FOR SALE, the Piece or Parcel of LAND close to Stewart Gap and Peak Church, containing 20,000 square feet there or thereabouts.

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Hongkong, 22nd November, 1904. [2725]

GERMANY AND JAPAN IN THE FAR EAST.

The Times correspondent at Berlin reports—The commercial rivalry of Germany and Japan in the Far East formed the subject of a lecture delivered at a meeting of the German Colonial Society, with Duke Johann Albrecht of Mecklenburg in the chair, in Berlin, last month. The lecturer, Herr Woss, appears to have been travelling in China and Japan for the last 18 months, and he was chiefly concerned to show that Japanese competition was becoming a serious danger to German trade in East Asia. He drew attention to the ubiquitous activity of the Japanese trader and of his agents, who were to be met with not only on the coast of China, but in the towns of the interior and on every river. The fact that a Japanese technical high school had been established at Nanking was unmistakable evidence that the Japanese were bent upon securing a permanent footing in the Chinese markets.

This intention on the part of the Japanese seemed to constitute a sufficiently grave offence in the eyes of the lecturer, but, judging by the exordium of the lecture, the enormity of the venturing to compete with the Germans in Shanghai, or, as the lecturer described it, in "our Shun-tung," appears to have been beyond the power of mere words to express. The new railway from Tsing-tau to Tai-nan-fu, which was the work of German enterprise, had indeed increased the trade of the province, but it was the Japanese and not the Germans who had benefited. The Japanese palmed off upon the unsuspecting Chinamen cheap and shoddy wares at prices and by methods with which the German trader could not compete. Moreover, the Japanese employed no middlemen, while the Germans transacted the greater part of their business through agents, with the result that they never really knew the kind of goods which were in demand.

The lecturer's opinion that the war with Russia was not the outcome of a national movement, but was solely the work of the commercial and industrial classes in Japan, who, having subjugated Korea, desired to add Manchuria to their sphere of influence as a preliminary step to overrunning the whole of China. It was this instinctive desire for expansion on the part of Japan which constituted the peculiar and signal danger for the Germans in the Far East. Soon after the outbreak of the war with Russia it was officially declared, at a meeting of Japanese merchants and bankers at Kobe that the war was essentially an economic move. The lecturer maintained that no one, therefore, was indirectly more threatened by the present war than the Germans. In his opinion it would be highly regrettable if the German sphere of interest in China, the province of Shantung, with its rich natural resources, were to pass under Japanese influence.

The lecturer, however, confessed that although the Germans were tolerated by the Chinese, the latter preferred to deal with the Japanese, and placed every possible obstacle in the path of German progress. The Chinese, for example, were now doing their best to bring about the construction of a railway from Tsing-tau to the coast which would terminate some miles to the north of the concession of Tsing-tau and which would thus become a serious rival to the new German railway between Tsing-tau and the interior of the province of Shantung. He feared that if the Japanese proved victorious in the struggle with Russia they and their commerce would receive increased support from the Chinese, while German trade would be left stranded high and dry. Herr Woss considered that this was a peculiar hardship, especially in view of the great debt which Japan owed to Germany. But it was a regrettable fact that the Germans, of all others, were objects of hatred and suspicion in Japan. He himself had been assaulted in broad daylight at Shimonoeki by two apparently respectable Japanese simply because he had been recognized as being a German. The lecturer concluded by observing that the Japanese not only did not love the Germans, but hated them because they saw that the Germans were surpassing them in the race for commercial supremacy in China. In view of this fact, and in view of the tenacious energy of the Japanese, the Germans must make every effort to retain the ground which they had already won.

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beyond the median line of the joining arch. They are said to have very good, though not equal, appetites. Of course, as they appear dressed on the stage, it is impossible to tell the nature of the junction between them, but after the foregoing details, it is hardly necessary to say that the case is perfectly genuine.

CHINA AND THE TIBET TREATY.

Tung Shao Yi, who has been recently appointed a special commissioner for the purpose of investigating the question of the Tibetan treaty, and is to state the case for the Chinese Government at Calcutta, is a remarkable man and a member of an enlightened family. His elder brother was the famous Tang Shao-chun, the organizing head, if not the actual founder, of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, of which he was long the director. The first railway enterprise in China was largely due to Tang Shao-chun, as also the opening and working of the Tang Shao Collieries. Thanks to this elder brother, two of whose sons have been educated in England, Tang Shao Yi was sent to America to study law. He has a family of several daughters, all of whom have had a good Chinese education and the further advantage of instruction under a high-class English governess, while his adopted son was placed under an English tutor in a good family.

On his return from America Mr. Tang became under secretary to the late Li Hung-chang when that great Viceroy was intent on building a navy, reforming the army, and developing China for the Chinese. When after the wretched fiasco in Seoul in 1884, Yuan Shih-kai was sent as Chinese Resident to Seoul, Mr. Tang was chosen to accompany him as first secretary and legal adviser. I well remember visiting Mr. Tang in Seoul and being surprised at his well-stocked library, containing the best books of the day on international law. During the many years he was in Seoul he fulfilled the duties of Chinese Consul-General as well as those of political adviser and secretary to the Resident, and distinguished himself by his justice and kindness. During his residence in Seoul he became the personal friend of that ripe Chinese scholar and able Consul-General, Mr. (now Sir) Walter Hillier. At that time the British Government was at a disadvantage in Seoul owing to the fact that its agent had only the status of a Consul-General, subordinate to the Ambassador in far away Peking, while the representatives of other nations had the rank of Minister; and but for the abilities of Mr. Hillier and his friend, Mr. Tang, British interests would have suffered. When war broke out between China and Japan Mr. Tang returned with his chief to China. A period of enforced idleness ensued, and it seemed as though his official career was at an end. After an interval, however, he was made Customs Tao-tai at Chifu, where he did good service during the Boxer crisis, keeping a cool head and maintaining peace with a firm hand. When Yuan-shih-kai became Viceroy of Chih-li he rewarded his former faithful secretary by making him Customs Tao-tai at Tientsin, where he has carried out his difficult duties with conspicuous impartiality and quiet energy.—Times.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 30th December, will be subject to rent.

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1904. [43]

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1904. [2879]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE Steamship

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Hongkong, 27th December, 1904. [2999]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

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No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 4th January, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1904. [3]

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ACOT, British str., 2,785, C. E. Cox, 28th Dec., 1899, Mororan 17th Dec., Coat.
BARON ELDON, British str., 2,385, J. Ulstrom, 28th Dec., 1899, Rungeon 5th Dec., Coat.
CHINA, Austrian str., 2,720, Tomassovich, 29th Dec., 1899, put back from Lamook Island 28th Dec., General.
FRITHJOF, Norwegian str., 891, Haraldsen, 29th Dec., 1899, Tamsui, Amoy and Swatow 29th Dec., General.
GLENNOCAS, British str., 3,740, J. McGregor, 29th Dec., 1899, London 1st Nov. and Singapore 22nd Dec., General.
HIANYANG, British str., 1,206, McIntosh, 29th Dec., 1899, Wuhu 23rd Dec. and Chinkiang 24th Dec., Coat.
KWINTLIN, British str., 1,072, Bryner, 29th Dec., 1899, Wuhu and Chinkiang 24th Dec., General.
KWONGSANG, British str., 1,428, P. M. B. Lake, 29th Dec., 1899, Canton 28th Dec., General.
SEAWARD, U.S. Transport, 350, Crook, 28th Dec., 1899, Manila 24th Dec., Coat.
SHIMURA, British str., 3,000, Chaplin, 28th Dec., 1899, Yokohama 10th and Shanghai 25th Dec., General.
TALISMAN, Norwegian str., 1,173, Potters, 29th Dec., 1899, Palumbang 18th Dec., Sugar and Cotton.
WAKAPOA, British str., 1,100, Partridge, 28th Dec., 1899, Shanghai 25th Dec., General.
WILLIAMS, British str., 1,352, Williams, 29th Dec., 1899, Shanghai 26th Dec., General.
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CLEARANCES.
AT THE HONGKONG MARINE OFFICE.
29th December.
Anping, Chinese str., for Canton.
Bourbon, French str., for Saigon.
Haitan, British str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.
28th December.
AUSTRALIAN, French str., for Shanghai.
BARON ELDON, British str., for Yokohama.
CLAYKING, British str., for Kaituma.
DUNAY, Austrian str., for Swatow.
HAICHING, British str., for Canton.
HANGSANG, British str., for Hongkong.
HEIPING, Chinese str., for Hongkong.
JACOB DIERCKX, German str., for Hongkong.
JAVA, British str., for Yokohama.
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 Captain G. Philipps, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 31st December, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "Victoria," 6522 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation from Hongkong, secured before departure from Hongkong. Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Oriental," due in London on the 12th February, 1905. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	BENGAL	Brit. str.	—	G. Philipps	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BENLOMOND	Brit. str.	—	Clark	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About 10th Jan.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	PALEWAN	Brit. str.	—	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 13th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MOYNE	Brit. str.	1 m.	Davis	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HYSON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	PRAM	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st Jan.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th Feb.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	IDOMENEUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th Feb.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	DUMBEA	Fre. str.	—	Churchman	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 14th Jan., at 1 P.M.
BREMEN & HAMBURG	SEYDLITZ	Ger. str.	k. w.	C. Dowers	MELCHERS & CO.	On 4th Jan., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARMENIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 3rd Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FERR. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	k. w.	Porzelius	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AMERIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 22nd Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Förck	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 27th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARCADIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Lüning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	RHENANIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Edmondson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st Mar.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	HECTOR	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th Jan.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	AXIA	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 3rd inst.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SHIMOSA	Brit. str.	—		STANDARD OIL CO.	About 25th Jan.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SENeca	Brit. str.	—		SEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 20th Jan.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	RAS ISSA	Brit. str.	—		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th Jan.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. Beaman, R.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 11th Jan.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI &c.	EMPERESS OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On 14th Jan.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	TRIMONT	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th Jan., at Daylight.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	TYDEUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	On 11th Jan., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	NICOMEDIA	Brit. str.	—		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 20th Jan.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	AUSTRALIAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Jan., at Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	—	E. S. Pearce	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 31st inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI DIRECT	INKUN	Brit. str.	—	G. W. Cockman, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 3rd Jan.
KOBE	PALMA	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI DIRECT	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	About 31st inst.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	LOKSANG	Brit. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 4th Jan., at Daylight.
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	COCHAMON	Jap. str.	—	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA	On 1st Jan., at Daylight.
TAMUI, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	TRIMONT	Jap. str.	—	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA	On 8th Jan., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY, ANPING & TAKAO	FRITHJOF	Jap. str.	—	T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA	On 3rd Jan., at Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	M. STRUVE	Jap. str.	—	Schulki	OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA	To-day, at 10 A.M.
MANILA	DECIMA	Jap. str.	2 h.	Rosch	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	HAITAN	Brit. str.	—	Weigall	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	W. Almond	SEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 3rd Jan.
MANILA	RUBI	Brit. str.	1 m.	Panfether	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	About 3rd Jan.
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MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	Todd	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	On 4th Jan., at 3 P.M.
MANILA	TAIYUAN	Dut. str.	—	Magazzini	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 13th Jan., at Noon.
JAVA PORTS	LAISANG	Brit. str.	—		CARLOWITZ & CO.	
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FROM	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PRIAM"	On 30th December.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"WRAICASTLE"	On 3rd January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 11th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AJAX"	On 16th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS"	On 24th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 25th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 25th January.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 31st January.	

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 3rd January.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"HYEON"	On 17th January.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 20th January.	
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AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 28th February.	

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 3rd January.	
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	On 20th January.	

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STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	FOR	SAILING DATE.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila.	Sat., 31st Dec., 10 A.M.
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S.S. "COURTFIELD"	Captain J. W. Martin.
S.S. "SWANLEY"	Captain J. P. Dawson.
S.S. "CRANLEY"	Captain W. E. Steele.
S.S. "IKBAL"	Captain M. Robertson.
S.S. "ASCOT"	Captain C. E. Cox.
S.S. "INKUM"	Captain E. S. Pearce.
S.S. "SIKH"	Captain J. Rowley.
S.S. "SEALDA"	Captain Geo. Brown.

The S.S. "INKUM" will be despatched for Durban on SUNDAY, 1st January, 1905, at
Daylight, (Calling at Kuchinotzu, Chefoo and Chin-Wan-Tao).

For Freight, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1904. [20-30]

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN,

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS.	JAPAN	Second half of January	JAVA PORTS	Second half of January
TJILATJAP.	JAVA PORTS	First half of January	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of January
TJIMAHU	JAVA PORTS	Second half of January	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of February

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a
limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on
through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the
HEAD AGENCY OF THE
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.
Hongkong, 28th December, 1904. [25]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.
STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LOGGERS.
N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES
IN RUSSIA.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION
STEAMERS.

STEAMERS	WEDNESDAY	4th January 1905
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY	18th January
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY	1st February
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY	15th February
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY	1st March
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY	15th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY	29th March
PRESEN	WEDNESDAY	12th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY	26th April

ON WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of JANUARY, 1905, at NOON, the Steamship
"SEYDLITZ," Captain C. Dowers, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and
CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 2nd January. Cargo and
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 3rd January, and Parcels will
be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 3rd January.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50,
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND
PORTS, and taking through Cargo to
ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA,
&c.)

THE Steamship
"AUSTRALIAN,"
Captain Schaw, will be despatched for the
above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 11th
January, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber,
which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions,
Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
The Steamer is installed throughout with
the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon
are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of
passengers the Steamers of the Company have
electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1904. [30-16]

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA are
prepared, during suspension of their
Trans-Pacific Service and until further notice
to book cargo and issue Bills of Lading to
SEATTLE, WASH., VICTORIA, B.C., and
PACIFIC COAST PORTS, also to OVER-
LAND POINTS in the UNITED STATES
AND CANADA in connection with the GREAT
NORTHERN RAILWAY from SEATTLE
PACIFIC S.S. CO. BOSTON STEAMSHIP
and NIPPON S.S. CO. OCEAN S.S. CO.
and CHINA MUTUAL S.S. CO.

For Further Particulars, apply at the
Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's
Building, First Floor, Chater Road.
A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904. [22-16]

SHIPPING IN PORT.

AGINCOURT, British str., 2,876, H. T. Worsnop,
Hainan Island 1st Oct.—Gibson & Co.

ALBACOR, British str., 2,196, A. D. Moody,
27th Dec.—Mojit 21st Dec., Coal.—M. B. Kaisha.

ARDOVA, British str., 2,270, W. L. Smith, 27th
December.—Mojit 21st Dec., Coal.—Dedwell & Co.

BELGIAN KING, British str., 2,353, J. Hayton,
2nd Dec.—Mojit 28th Nov., Coal.—Bradley & Co.

BOURBON, French str., 997, Sisco, 27th Dec.
—Manila 24th Dec., Ballast.—Chinese.

BRUNNEN, German str., 854, H. Selk, 23rd
December.—Bangkok 15th Dec., Rice.—
Sander, Wieler & Co.

CHUYEN, Chinese str., 1,177, Charles Stewart,
23rd Dec.—Shanghai 20th Dec., General.—
Chinese.

CROWA, German str., 1,055, T. Spiesen, 25th
December.—Bangkok 17th Dec., General.—
Butterfield & Swire.

COPIC, British str., 2,744, R. Loebe, 2nd Dec.,
27th December.—San Francisco 26th Nov.,
and Shanghai 23rd December, General.—O.
& S. N. Co.

DONOLA, British str., 2,820, M. N. English,
15th Dec.—New York 16th Sept., Case Oil.
—Standard Oil Co.

DR. HANS JUNG KLAER, Norwegian str., 691,
H. E. Larsen, 23rd Dec.—Manila 24th
December, Ballast.—E. A. Trading Co.

ELAY, British str., 2,612, E. S. Baker, 12th
December.—Aros Bay 1st Oct., Bulk Oil.
—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

ELSE, German str., 903, J. Petersen, 27th Dec.
—Haiphong and Hoihow 26th Dec., Rice.
—Jensen & Co.

EMMA LUYKEN, German str., 1,160, H. Martens,
21st Dec.—Samarang (Java) 10th Dec.,
Sugar, and Cotton Seed.—Chinese.

EMPEROR OF CHINA, British str., 3,046, E.
Boetham, 2nd Dec.—Vancouver
(B.C.) 28th Nov. and Shanghai 18th Dec.,
Mails and General.—C. F. R. Co.

FERNUNDE, British str., 2,444, Fisher, 18th
December.—Batavia via Colombo 4th Nov.,
Petroleum.—Dedwell & Co.

GIBEL, Austrian str., 2,640, G. Damjanovich,
28th Dec.—Kobe and Shanghai 24th Dec.
General.—Sander, Wieler & Co.

GOLDMOUTH, British str., 4,383, Starkey, 1st
December.—Batavia 25th October, Oil.—
Dedwell & Co.

HAITAN, British str., 1,183, Roach, 28th Dec.
—Coast Ports 25th Dec., General.—Douglas
Lapraik & Co.

HALABAN, Dutch str., 335, J. Steendam, 6th
December.—Fochow 2nd Dec., Ballast.—
Arnold, Karberg & Co.

HOLSTEIN, German str., 985, J. C. Hansen,
27th Dec.—Haiphong 25th Dec., Rice.
—Jensen & Co.

HUB, French str., 705, Godinau, 27th Nov.—
Haiphong and Ports 26th Nov., General.—
A. R. Marly.

INDRAVELLI, British str., 3,125, S. Collington,
28th Nov.—Shanghai 24th Nov.—Jardine,
Matheson & Co.

MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN.

Aspern, cruiser, 2,437 tons, 20 guns, 7,300 h.p.
Capt. Friedrich Grieshaber, Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth, cruiser, 4,000 tons, 29 guns,
3,000 h.p., Captain Mirti, Japan

FRANCE.

Acheron, armoured gunboat, 1,796 tons, 10 guns,
1,700 h.p., Lieut. Jannet, Saigon
Argus, gunboat, 123 tons, — guns, 500 h.p.
Lieut. Jannet, Canton

Aspic, gunboat, 475 tons, 3 guns, 450 h.p.
Lieut. Grollier, Saigon
Avalanche, gunboat, 140 tons, 5 guns, 150 h.p.
Haiphong

Baionnette, gunboat, Lieut. Lefevre, Saigon
Carondelet, gunboat, Lieut. Hue, Saigon
Casse-tete, gunboat, 140 tons, 5 guns, 150 h.p.
Saigon

Chateaufort, cruiser (Flagship of Rear-
Admiral de Fongue de Jonquieres, 2nd in
command), 3,015 tons, 18 guns, 17,000 h.p.
Capt. V. Poitelin, Baie d'Along

Comete, gunboat, 625 tons, 4 guns, 438 h.p.
Comdr. Loual, Haiphong
D'Assas, cruiser, 4,000 tons, 31 guns, 35,000 h.p.
Saigon

Decidie, gunboat, 645 tons, 10 guns, 3,000 h.p.
Lieut. Comdr. L'Eost, Shanghai
Descartes, cruiser, 3,385 tons, 14 guns, 5,500 h.p.
Commander Amet, at present at Saigon

Estoc, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p.
Lieut. Mere, Haiphong
Francisque, destroyer, 303 tons, 7 guns, 630 h.p.
Lieut. Cotoni, at present at Saigon

Fronte, destroyer, 350 tons, 7 guns, 303 h.p.
Lieut. Johannes, Baie d'Along
Gueydon, cruiser, 3,376 tons, 38 guns, 20,200
h.p., Captain Goudot, Baie d'Along

Henri Riviere, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p.
Lieut. Portier, Haiphong
Jaques, gunboat, Lieut. Couderc, Haiphong
Javeline, destroyer, 307 tons, 7 guns, 303 h.p.
Lieut. Comdr. Beaussant, Baie d'Along

Kersaint, gunboat, 1,250 tons, 6 guns, 2,200 h.p.
Comdr. Le Golluier, Shanghai
Lys, submarine, Lieut. Armbruster, Saigon
Montcalm, cruiser (Flagship of Vice-Admiral
Bayle, "commander in Chief"), 9,700 tons, 12
guns, 18,000 h.p., Capt. Dartigue du Fournet,
Baie d'Along

Monnet, destroyer, Lieut. Prat, Baie d'Along
Oly, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p., Lieut.
Audemar, Yangtze

Pascal, cruiser, 4015 tons, 27 guns, 8,500 h.p.
Comdr. Chevalier, Saigon
Pehou, gunboat, Lieut. Lavissiere, Tongku
Pistole, destroyer, Lieut. de Ratnach-Werth,
Baie d'Along

Protes, submarine, Lieut. Glorieux, Saigon
Redoutable, battleship, (in reserve) 3,437 tons, 8
guns, 10,711 h.p., Commodore C. P. M.
Faidoute, Saigon

Sabre, destroyer, Lieut. Lebar, Saigon
Styx, cruiser, 1,796 tons, 10 guns, 1,700 h.p.
Comdr. T. de Balinour, Saigon

Sally, cruiser, 10,014 tons, 38 guns, 21,000 h.p.
Captain Guiberteau, Hoihow
Surprise, gunboat, 629 tons, 2 guns, 900 h.p.
Lieut. Roque, Hankow

Taklang, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p.
Lieut. —, Yangtze

Takou, destroyer, Lieut. Gaillard, Saigon
Vauban, battleship, (reserve) 6,150 tons, 23 guns,
4,500 h.p., Lieut. —, Saigon

Vigilante, gunboat, 123 tons, 7 guns, 500 h.p.
Lieut. Jemes, Canton

GERMAN.

Bussard, cruiser, 1,857 tons, 15 guns, 2,900 h.p.
Comdr. Huss, —

Fatherland, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p.
Captain von Busch, Waha

Furst Bismarck, (flagship), 11,000 tons, 36 guns,
14,900 h.p., Captain Frow, Hongkong

Geier, cruiser, 1,776 tons, 15 guns, 2,960 h.p.
Comdr. von Stunditz, Shanghai

Hansa, cruiser, 6,230 tons, 34 guns, 10,000 h.p.
Captain Weber, Shanghai

Hertha, cruiser, 6,570 tons, 37 guns, 10,500 h.p.
Capt. Baron Schimmelmenn, Singapore

Ilia, gunboat, 1,000 tons, 10 guns, 1,300 h.p.
Comdr. Baron von M. Hallessem, Canton

Jaguar, gunboat, 900 tons, 10 guns, 1,300 h.p.
Commander Wilbrandt, Nankiang

Lucho, gunboat, 850 tons, 10 guns, 1,344 h.p.
Commander Kroncke, Hongkong

Mowe, gunboat, 1,009 tons, 8 guns, 875 h.p.
Commander von Grumbkow, Manila

Seeadler, cruiser, 1,640 tons, 16 guns, 2,800 h.p.
Commander Persius, Tientsin

Thetis, cruiser, 2,680 tons, 24 guns, 8,000 h.p.
Captain Vait, Shanghai

Tiger, gunboat, 900 tons, 10 guns, 1,300 h.p.
Commander Deimling, Amoy

Titanis, cruiser, Captain Schacke, Hongkong.
Tsingtau, gunboat, 170 tons, 5 guns, 1,300 h.p.
Commander Giesler, Canton

Vorwarts, gunboat, — tons, 3 guns, 500 h.p.
Lieut. Schart, Shanghai

ITALIAN.

Elba, cruiser, 2,301 tons, 10 guns, 7,471 h.p.
Captain Borea Ricci, Haiphong

Marco Polo, cruiser, 3,601 tons, — guns, — h.p.
Captain Presbitero, Shanghai

Puglia, cruiser, 2,488 tons, 23 guns, 7,000 h.p.
Captain Pescetto, Chemulpo

PORTUGUESE.

Adamastor, cruiser, 1,860 tons, 14 guns, 4,000
h.p., Captain d'Antas Ribeiro, Hankow

Diu, gunboat, 720 tons, 6 guns, 700 h.p., Capt.
Continho, Macao

Vasco de Gama, cruiser, 3,920 tons, 20 guns,
6,000 h.p., Capt. Manuel Vasco de Carvalho,
Shanghai

RUSSIAN.

Amour, cruiser, 2,600 tons, 5 guns, 4,700 h.p.
Commander Gramatichoff, Port Arthur

Askold, cruiser, 6,000 tons, 27 guns, 24,000 h.p.
Captain Reitzenshtein, Shanghai

Bayan, cruiser, 7,800 tons, 10 guns, 16,500 h.p.
Port Arthur

Bogatyr, cruiser, 6,640 tons, 12 guns, 19,500 h.p.
Boyarin, cruiser, 3,200 tons, 19 guns, 18,000 h.p.
Commander Saratcheff, Port Arthur

Diana, cruiser, 6,731 tons, 6 guns, 8,000 h.p.
Saigon

Djigit, gunboat, 1,458 tons, 3 guns, 1,700 h.p.
Captain Nasarowsky, Port Arthur

Gaidamak, gunboat, 50 tons, 9 guns, 3,500 h.p.

Greenhatch, gunboat, 1,490 tons, 6 guns, 2,000
h.p., Commander Zagladsky

Gromoboi, cruiser, 12,364 tons, 44 guns, 14,500
h.p., Captain Jassen, Vladivostok

Guiliak, gunboat, 1,000 tons, 6 guns, 1,000 h.p.
Commander Shumoff

Mundjour, gunboat, 1,224 tons, 7 guns, 1,400 h.p.
Commander Crown, Shanghai

Otvajny, gunboat, 1,490 tons, 6 guns, 2,000 h.p.
Commander Vasiloff, Port Arthur

POST OFFICE NOTICES

The incoming parcel mail from Europe, per *s.s. Coronado* being the Christmas Mail and an exceedingly heavy one, the parcels will not be ready for delivery to the public until Sunday morning; the parcel receipts will be distributed by the 12 noon delivery on Saturday or as soon as possible after the arrival of the ship in the Harbour.

The Parcel Office will open from 8 till 11 a.m. on Sunday, and from 8 till 9 a.m. on Monday and Tuesday.

The public are requested to post their local New Year Cards early.

Attention is called to page 5, paragraph 50, of the Hongkong Postal Guide, which has reference to the stamping and posting of New Year Cards.

Cards which are sealed or forwarded in closed covers with the corners cut off or with notched ends will be treated as letters and cannot be forwarded at Book Post rate.

The 2nd and 3rd of January 1905, having been declared public holidays, the Post Office will be closed, except from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be one Delivery and one Collection on Sundays. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

In future, the following will be the hours of clearance of Pillar Boxes in Kowloon.

Cosmopolitan Dock	8.30 a.m., 12.30 p.m.
Hung Hom Dock	9.15 a.m., 1.00 p.m.
Yan Ma Ti Police station	9.00 a.m., 1.00 p.m.
Gas Works	9.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m.
Camoron Road	8.00 a.m., 10.00 a.m., 1.45 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.

On Sundays there will be one clearance only.

The *Koror*, with the American mail left Nagasaki on Tuesday, the 27th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-day, at 2 p.m.

The *Coronado*, with the English Mail of the 2nd December, left Singapore on Sunday, the 25th inst., at noon, and may be expected here to-morrow.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE.
Canton	Fatshan	Friday, 30th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	Wingchui	Friday, 30th, 7.30 A.M.
Moji	Dumou	Friday, 30th, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Friday, 30th, 11.00 A.M.
Bangkok	Chongy	Friday, 30th, 11.00 A.M.
Chinkiang	Haitan	Friday, 30th, 1.00 P.M.
Haiphong	Haitan	Friday, 30th, 1.45 P.M.
Macao	Gilma	Friday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Straits Colombo and Bombay	Shimosa	Friday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Singapore	Lokong	Friday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Longong	Friday, 30th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	Honora	Friday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Tela	Friday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Kongkong, Kauchuk, Samah, Shinking,	Sanna	Friday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Taking and Wuchow	Tachun	Friday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Namtoe	Hofo	Friday, 30th, 5.00 P.M.
Sambao	Wingchui	Saturday, 31st, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	Powen	Saturday, 31st, 7.30 A.M.
Canton	Rubi	Saturday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
Manila		Saturday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Taticoria		Saturday, 31st, 11.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
Macao	Heronghua	Saturday, 31st, 1.45 P.M.
Namtoe	Tachun	Saturday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.
Sambao	Hofo	Saturday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.
Kachinotun, Chefoo, Chinwantun and Durban	Ikun	Saturday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.
Moji	Atsueing	Saturday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Kishan	Sunday, 1st Jan., 9.00 A.M.
Kobe	Taiyuan	Tuesday, 3 Jan., 3.00 P.M.
Manila	Tauing	Tuesday, 3 Jan., 3.00 P.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Taticoria		Wednesday, 4th, Jan., 11.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Wednesday, 4th, Jan., 2.00 P.M.

TO-DAY.

Pollard's Lilliputian Opera Co., Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, Boots and Shoes, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. T. Laumert, 11.30 a.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.	29th December.
Telegraphic Transfer	111 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	111 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	111 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	111 1/2
Credit, at 4 months sight	111 1/2
Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight	111 1/2
ON PARIS.	
Bank Bills, on demand	245 1/2
Credit, at 4 months sight	249
ON GERMANY.	
On demand	139
ON NEW YORK.	
Bank Bills, on demand	47 1/2
Credit, at 60 days sight	48 1/2
ON BOMBAY.	
Telegraphic Transfer	145 1/2
Bank, on demand	145 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.	
Telegraphic Transfer	145 1/2
Bank, on demand	145 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.	
Bank, at sight	71 1/2
Private, 30 days sight	72 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.	
On demand	96
ON MANILA.	
On demand	117 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	12 p.m.
ON BATAVIA.	
On demand	117 1/2
ON HAIPHONG.	
On demand	11 p.m.
ON SAIGON.	
On demand	11 p.m.
ON BANGKOK.	
On demand	60 1/2
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	153.15
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tole	153.80
BAR SILVER, per oz.	28 1/2

OPIMUM.

27th December.	28th December.
Malwa New	10170 to 10190 per picul
Malwa Old	10140 to 10160 "
Malwa Older	10120 to 10140 "
Malwa V. Old	10100 to 10120 "
Persian fine quality	870 to 880 "
Persian extra fine	890 to 900 "
Patna New	1150 to 1160 per chest
Patna Old	1100 to 1110 "
Bombay New	1105 to 1115 "
Bombay Old	1080 to 1090 "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. steamer *Koror* left Nagasaki for this port direct on Tuesday, the 27th Dec., at 5 p.m., and is due here to-day at 2 p.m.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Coronado* left Singapore for this port on the 25th Dec., at noon, and is due here to-morrow about noon.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. steamer *Seydlitz* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 25th Dec., p.m., and may be expected here on Tuesday, the 3rd Jan.

The I.G.M. steamer *Bayer* left Colombo on Saturday, p.m., and may be expected here on Thursday, the 5th Jan.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Express of India* left Vancouver on Monday, the 26th Dec., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.C. steamer *Taiyuan*, from Australian ports, left Sydney on the 7th Dec., and is due here to-day.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 29th December.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Banks.		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$710, 470 lbs.
Nat'l. Bank of China		
A. Shares	25	\$39.
B. Shares	25	\$39.
Round Shares	21	\$40.
Insurance.		
Union	\$100	\$690, sellers
China Traders	\$100	\$58, sales
North China	25	125.90, sales & sel.
Langze	60	\$160.
Canton	\$50	\$260, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$385, sellers
China Fire	\$50	\$380, sales & buyers
Steamship Coys.		
H. Canton and M.	\$10	\$281, sellers
Indo-China S. N.	\$15	\$116, buyers
China and Malacca	\$50	\$23.
Douglas Steamship	\$50	\$341, buyers
Star Ferry	\$10	\$40, sellers
Shel Transport & Trading Co.	21	264, buyers
Do. pref. shares	410	\$8 10.
Railways.		
China Sugar	100	\$226, buyers
Luzon Sugar	100	\$15, buyers
Mining.		
Charbonnages	\$250	\$490.
Kaubs	15, 10	\$4, sellers
Docks &c.		
W. & W. Dock	\$50	\$215, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$192, sellers
New Amoy Dock	\$50	\$27, sellers
S. C. R. & Co. Ltd.	\$100	\$160.
Land and building.		
Hongkong Land	\$100	\$147, sellers
Kowloon Land & B.	\$80	\$284, buyers
West Point Building	\$50	\$59, sellers
Hongkong Hotel	\$50	\$144, sellers
Humphreys & Co.	\$10	\$121, sellers
Shanghai Land	\$50	\$117.
Cotton Mills.		
Ewo	\$15	\$25, buyers
International	\$15	\$25.
Laou Kung Mow	\$100	\$100.
Soychek	\$100	\$100, sellers
Hongkong	\$100	\$181.
Companies.		
Alumina, Ltd.	\$500	\$100, buyers
H. & K. Asbestos E. A.	125, 6d.	\$64.
Campbell, Moore & Co.	\$10	\$40, buyers
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$131, buyers
China Prov. L. & M.	\$10	\$94, sellers
Dairy Farm	\$5	\$30, buyers
Geo. Fenwick & Co.	\$10	\$45, sellers
Green Island Cement	\$10	\$30, sales
Hongkong Electric	\$5	\$9, buyers
Hongkong & C. Gas	\$10	\$160, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	\$100	\$265, ex div.
Hongkong Ice	\$25	\$255.
Hongkong Rope	\$50	\$155, buyers
H. K. Steam Water-boat Co. Ltd.	\$10	\$24, sellers
Philippines Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$94, sellers
S. & H. Dyeing & C.	\$50	\$50.
S. China Morning Post	\$25	\$214, buyers
China Light and Power Co., Ltd.	\$10	\$10, sellers
Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	\$5	\$7.
United Asbestos	\$5	\$10.
Do.	\$10	\$10, buyers
Watkins, Ltd.	\$10	\$19, sellers
Watson & Co., A.S.	\$10	\$124, sales & sel.
William Powell, Ltd.	\$10	\$124, buyers

VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 30th December to the 5th January.			
Day of Month.	Hour of High Water.	Low Water.	
		Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
30th Dec.	10.15	10.15	3.8
31st Dec.	11.15	11.15	3.7
1st Jan.	12.15	12.15	3.6
2nd Jan.	13.15	13.15	3.5
3rd Jan.	14.15	14.15	3.4
4th Jan.	15.15	15.15	3.3
5th Jan.	16.15	16.15	3.2
6th Jan.	17.15	17.15	3.1
7th Jan.	18.15	18.15	3.0
8th Jan.	19.15	19.15	2.9
9th Jan.	20.15	20.15	2.8
10th Jan.	21.15	21.15	2.7
11th Jan.	22.15	22.15	2.6
12th Jan.	23.15	23.15	2.5
13th Jan.	24.15	24.15	2.4
14th Jan.	25.15	25.15	2.3
15th Jan.	26.15	26.15	2.2
16th Jan.	27.15	27.15	2.1
17th Jan.	28.15	28.15	2.0
18th Jan.	29.15	29.15	1.9
19th Jan.	30.15	30.15	1.8
20th Jan.	31.15	31.15	1.7
21st Jan.	32.15	32.15	1.6
22nd Jan.	33.15	33.15	1.5
23rd Jan.	34.15	34.15	1.4
24th Jan.	35.15	35.15	1.3
25th Jan.	36.15	36.15	1.2
26th Jan.	37.15	37.15	1.1
27th Jan.	38.15	38.15	1.0
28th Jan.	39.15	39.15	0.9
29th Jan.	40.15	40.15	0.8
30th Jan.	41.15	41.15	0.7
31st Jan.	42.15	42.15	0.6

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

REGISTER.			
Hongkong Observatory 29th December.			
	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer.....	30.26	30.31	30.26
Temperature.....	63	65	66
Humidity.....	65	75	63
Wind Direction	E	ESE	W
Force.....	1	1	1
Weather.....	c	b	b
Rain.....	—	—	—

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